

Shark Bytes

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Shark Tales:

Fulton County's District Spelling Bee

Good luck to Jason L. in Ms. Burnett's 5th grade class, as he participates in Fulton County's District Spelling Bee tomorrow, Saturday, January 20! We are so proud of you!



Amazing Performance by our Chorus

We are so proud of our chorus students. On Thursday night, they performed in a joint concert with Findley Oaks Elementary, Wilson Creek Elementary, River Trail Middle School, and Northview Highschool. It was amazing to see all of the talent and the progression over the years. A special thank you to Mrs. Housholder, assisted by Mrs. Kulamer, for organizing this great event and providing such a wonderful opportunity for our students.

Write Score

January 22-26, students in grades 3-5 will be taking the Write Score Assessment. This assessment is a document-based response requiring students to read and respond to passages in both multiple choice and written format. This baseline assessment will take place in reading/language arts classes.

A Message from the Shakerag PTO:

Save the Date... School Dance Coming Soon!

Shakerag's annual school dance will be February 9 in the school cafeteria! This year's theme is Around the World! There will be a professional DJ, games, photo booth, refreshments, and loads of fun! Come dressed up and represent any culture around the world! Please, no toy weapons.

There are two sessions for the dance - 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. (Grades PreK – 2) and 7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. (Grades 3-5). Please be sure to select the proper session by grade level when ordering tickets. Please note: Due to capacity limitations, we encourage you to make your purchases early. Online ticket sales will end at 12 a.m. on Thursday, February 8. THIS IS NOT A DROP OFF EVENT. ONE ADULT PER FAMILY REQUIRED FOR ENTRY. STUDENTS SHOULD NOT BRING CELL PHONES.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! For more information, please contact Sonam Dewan at dewan.sonam@gmail.com or Sarah Chu at cigar1121@hotmail.com.

Artist Day- We need your help!

Shakerag's annual Artist Day needs your help! This year we are hoping to learn more about art and culture from our very own school family! To do this, we are looking for volunteers!

On March 29, we will be hosting an Artist and Culture Day at Shakerag. Students will have an opportunity to travel around the globe and learn about various forms of art and culture, but we need your help to do that! Do you paint, dance, sing or play a musical instrument? Would you like to showcase some art or activity from your culture? If so, we'd love to have you coordinate an activity with like-minded artists and share your talent with our students! Please reach out to the Artist and Culture Day chair Jen She at jen@fwdtalent.com if you're interested.

Yearbook Needs Your Pictures!

Please submit your 1st Day of School, Hands on Shakerag, Bingo Night, Red Ribbon Week, Community Night and Holiday Class Party pictures to this [Link](#). Don't miss out on ordering your yearbook! Click [Shakerag Elementary School PTO DULUTH, GA | Jostens](#) to order now.

A Message from the School Governance Council (SGC):

School Governance Council Meeting

We invite you to visit our School Governance Council (SGC) website, which can be accessed by clicking [here](#) or via our school website (click [here](#)) under the 'ABOUT' drop-down menu. Our latest Strategic Plan as well as other relevant SGC information is posted to this site for your convenience. Our next SGC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 14 at 8:00 a.m.

A Message from Fulton County:

Hardship Transfer Application

Hardship transfer applications are available on Fulton County's website (click [here](#)) for parents who wish to apply for a 2024-2025 hardship transfer or to renew a current hardship to another Fulton elementary, middle, or high school. The deadline for submitting a transfer application is **February 29, 2024**.

In the Community:

Northview Techno Titans

The Northview Techno Titans Robotics Team will be hosting a STEM Night workshop at their team workspace located at 10700 Abbotts Bridge Road, Suite 120 in Johns Creek on Saturday, January 27 from 4:00 - 5:30 p.m. For more information, click [here](#).

Ivy Bridge Academy Public Speaking & Debate:

Ivy Bridge Academy's after-school Public Speaking & Debate program offers a chance for students to learn and engage with current events through the activity of debate.

Students will enhance their research skills, critical thinking, organizational skills, persuasion tactics, and information processing by learning about both sides of an issue and being able to persuasively argue for either side. Students who participate in our program will leave with newfound confidence, and a skill set that will help them through the rest of their schooling and even into adulthood. A main focus will be on creating and delivering persuasive speeches in front of their peers. Debate Academy students also have the opportunity to participate in an end of semester inter-school tournament.

Classes are offered on Wednesdays for Grades 3-5 from 2:30-3:30. Please click [here](#) for more information.

Have a wonderful weekend!

